THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) : (a) to (c) Paragraph 2(b) of the Code of Conduct which is reproduced below, prohibits the Ministers from buying or selling immovable properties to/from Government. "After taking office, and so long as he remains in office, the Minister shall refrain from buying from or selling to, the Government any immovable property except where such property is compulsorily acquired by the Government in usual course."

2. The Prime Minister and the Union Home Minister are the observance authorities for the Code in the case of Chief Ministers and the Chief Minister concerned is the observance authority in the case of State Ministers.

Combating Communal Tension

2115. SHRI S. K. T. RAMACHANDRAN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) what steps are being taken by Government to arrest the growth of communal frenzy and communal vandalism in India which are posing a formidable threat to the very fabric of India's unity, integrity, peace and harmony; and

(b) whether Government will come forward to ban all caste based communal Organisations in the country.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) : (a) Maintenance of public order is a State subject as indicated in List-II (State List) of the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution. Preventive action for avoiding communal tension/riots is also to be taken by the State Goernments/UT Administrations. Adequate legal powers are available to them. The Central Government have issued guidelines on this matter. Financial assistance is also given to voluntary organisations for promoting communal harmony. The National Integration Council also has been attempting to find ways and means for combating the evils of communalism.

(b) No Sir.

Facilities for Delhi Police Staff

2116. SHRI GOPAL SINGH G. SOLANKI : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering any action plan to modernise Delhi Police;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that Delhi-Police staff is working under very deep tension;

(d) whether Delhi Police have submitted their demands to Government; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) : (a) and (b) Modernising of police is a continuous ongoing process. A number of steps have already been taken in this regard. These include modernisation of Communication network; introduction of scientific methods of investigations; training of police officers in handling sophisticated weapons etc.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Proposals from Delhi Administration for improving the functioning and strengthening of Delhi Police are received from time to time. These are examined keeping in view all the aspects.

Dowry Victimisation cases in Delhi

2117. SHRI GOPAL SINGH G. SOLANKI : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of dowry victimisation cases registered in various police stations of Delhi during the year 1991-92;

(b) whether it is a fact that anti-dowry law is not being implemented properly;

(c) Whether any anti-dowry cell is funtioning under Delhi Police; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?